East Lansing State of Emergency Rules and Regulations

Whereas, having properly proclaimed a City State of Emergency pursuant to Ordinance #1488 due to the presence of the Coronavirus in the community and the recent outbreak of in excess of 170 Coronavirus cases arising out of one incident of a large attendance of individuals at a local establishment in the City of East Lansing’s DDA District; and

Whereas, video and photographic evidence showed that there were long lines of patrons extending out onto the public right-of-way during that incident without masks or any consistent level of “social distancing;” and

Whereas, having recently been advised that the campus of Michigan State University will require all persons on campus to wear masks, even while outdoors on campus; and

Whereas, historically large numbers of persons associated with the campus of Michigan State University crowd the City’s DDA District; and

Whereas, having determined that it is important to have the rules of Michigan State University be consistent between the campus of Michigan State University and the City’s DDA District;

Now therefore, on this 7th day of August, 2020 I hereby establish the following rule and regulation, effective August 10, 2020:

1. All persons in the City of East Lansing’s DDA District shall, at all times, while on public streets and sidewalks, except when seated at a table eating or drinking, wear a mask covering their mouth and nose unless they have a documented medical condition which prevents it.

2. This order is effective for 7 days from the date of this order. If approved and consented to by Council pursuant to Sec.10-34e of Ordinance #1488, this order shall remain in effect until September 30, 2020.

3. This order shall be published as required by and in accordance with Ordinance #1488.

Pursuant to Ordinance #1488, a violation of this order is a civil infraction punishable by a fine of up to $25.00.

Aaron Stephens, Mayor